

Reduce, reuse, recycle!

REDUCE what you buy:

If everyone on earth consumed as much as Americans, we would need four earths worth of natural resources (clean air, water, minerals, oil, trees, etc.) to sustain us all.

- **Buy in bulk** ~ Reduce the amount of packaging you have to recycle or throw away.
- **Do I need this?** ~ Ask yourself if the product is durable or recyclable.
- **Is it green?** ~ Is the product made with recycled materials? Is there a less toxic alternative?

REUSE what you have:

Americans represent five percent of the world's population, but generate 30 percent of the world's waste.

- **Buy durable goods** ~ Money and resources are wasted when you throw away disposable items.
- **Household items** ~ Check second hand and consignment shops for durable furniture or kitchen appliances.
- **Rechargeable batteries** ~ Using rechargeable batteries reduces toxic wastes like cadmium and mercury.

RECYCLE what you use:

It takes over 500,000 trees to make the Sunday paper for Americans each week

- **Paper** ~ Recycling one ton of paper saves three cubic yards of landfill space and 17 trees.
- **Aluminum** ~ Recycling one aluminum can saves enough energy to run a computer for three hours
- **Plastic** ~ Recycling five, 2-liter PET soda bottles can make one square foot of carpet.



Recycled Recyclable

Recycling in Clark County

All materials listed here are recyclable in Clark County and may be taken to a transfer station and recycled for free or recycled curbside.

Transfer stations in Vancouver

West Van Material Recovery

(360) 737-1727

6601 NW Old Lower River Road

Monday to Friday 6 A.M. to 6 P.M.

Saturday 8 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Free hazardous waste drop-off Friday and Saturday only 8 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Closed: Every Sunday, New Year's Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day

Central Transfer and Recycling

(360) 256-8482

11034 NE 117th Avenue

Monday to Friday 6 A.M. to 6 P.M.

Saturday and Sunday 8 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Free hazardous waste drop-off Saturday and Sunday only 8 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Closed: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day

Curbside recycling

■ Green bin (top) - Containers

Tin cans

Empty aerosol cans

Plastic bottles

Milk cartons and juice boxes

Glass bottles and jars

Aluminum cans

■ Tan bin (middle) - Mixed paper

Junk mail

Magazines

Brochures

Paper bags

Cereal boxes

Notebook paper

■ Brown bin (bottom) - Newspaper

Newspaper

Ad inserts OK

■ Beside the Bin

Cardboard ~ Folded or cut to 3ft x 3ft or smaller, place under bin

*Household batteries** ~ Place in re-sealable clear plastic bags

*Scrap metal** ~ No larger than 2ft, no heavier than 35lbs

*Motor oil** ~ In clear one gallon milk jug with a secure lid

*Antifreeze** ~ In clear one gallon milk jug with a secure lid

Items with an asterisk * are recyclable only in single family curbside recycling or at transfer stations.

Request a free Recycling Directory from Clark County Solid Waste, call (360) 397-6118 ext. 4352



The Master Composter/Recycler program

is a cooperative effort of Clark County, Vancouver, Camas, Washougal, Battle Ground, Ridgefield, Yacolt, La Center and Columbia Springs Environmental Education Center.

For information, please call (360) 882-4567.



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